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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration organized a national Conference onSecondary education recently;

(b) if so, the details of the discussions held and the suggestions given by the participants;

(c) whether the Government have set a new target for universal secondary education by 2015 instead of 2020;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to achieve the target;

(e) whether the State Governments have also been consulted in this regard; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. The Conference deliberated on a number of issues including perspective of development of secondary education till 2020, capacity building of educational administrators i n secondary education, management of quality i n secondary education, financing of secondary education and administrative reforms for improving systems efficiency and school based management and made several suggestions across these areas.

(c) to (f): The Government is presently assessing the likely impactof consequent to the Universalisation of Elementary Educationon the secondary education sector i n terms of additional enrolment, physical facilities etc. Plans for Universalisation of Secondary Education will depend on the outcome of the assessment.